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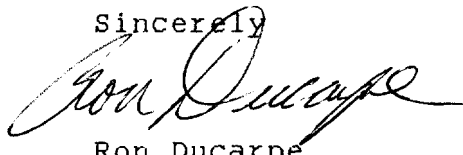
Dear Sirs,

I just wanted to write and express my concern about current proposals that the FCC is considering on regulating public access cable networks. I became aware of this proposal while visiting a friend in Hillsborough County, Florida for a few days. The local news channel was up in arms because one of the programs that was being shown on night-time public access cable involved a wet T-Shirt contest. They were indignant that the human body was actually being shown on television. They failed to mention that this same public access station has run Klu Klux Klan programs and a program hosted by a Nazi sympathizer who I personally viewed expounding hate and white supremacy! Why is it that this country views murder, corruption, and hatred as acceptable daily events, but considers the human body and human sexuality, two of God's greatest gifts to us, as criminal offenses? Watch any network program on any given night and you will see over 20 murders and other carnage, but you won't see one breast. Any kid with \$5 in his pocket can go into a video store and rent such "classics" as THE TEXAS CHAINSAW MASSACRE, or I DISMEMBER MAMA, but in most counties in the United States, an adult cannot go into a video store and rent a movie showing people making love because it is considered "obscene".

Let me clarify two important points before I close. 1) Even though I may find the excess of violence on television obscene, I do not advocate the censoring of it because I do not condone censorship in any way. It represents the forcing of ideals and standards on other people and limits creativity and art. Each individual in this country should be able to set his or her own standards. If a program is offensive, turn it off. But do not tell someone else that they cannot watch it simply because you object to it. This practice is one of the basic principles of Communism and I consider any censors to be communists and a threat to American freedoms. 2) I feel that each parent has the responsibility to monitor what their children are exposed to on television. It should be each individual parents decision as to what is good for their children. I do feel that some of the riskier programming should be shown at night when parents can exercise a greater control over what their children watch but I do not believe that the FCC or other government organizations should become parents to the nation's children. If we try to only allow programming that the kids can watch, then we as adults are killing one of our most basic freedoms.

To summarize, I do not feel that there should be any further regulation by the FCC on public access or any other television programming with the exception of showing what would be considered adult programming at night. Thank you for taking the time to read this letter so that I may exercise my most basic freedom as an American: Freedom of Speech.

Sincerely



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